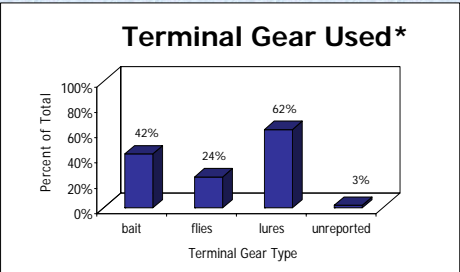
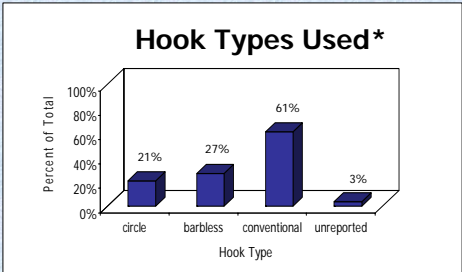
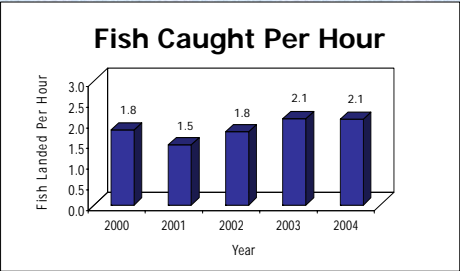
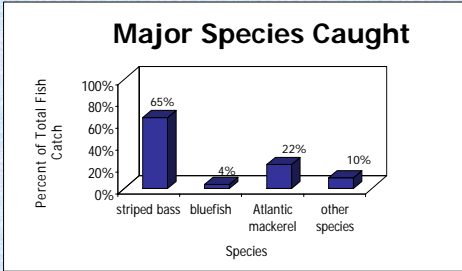
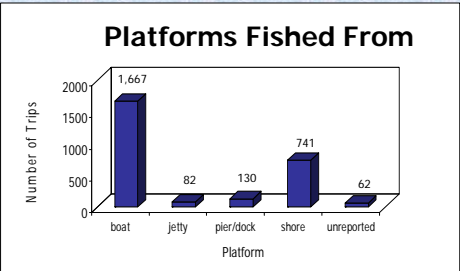
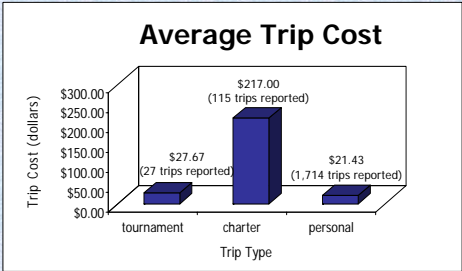
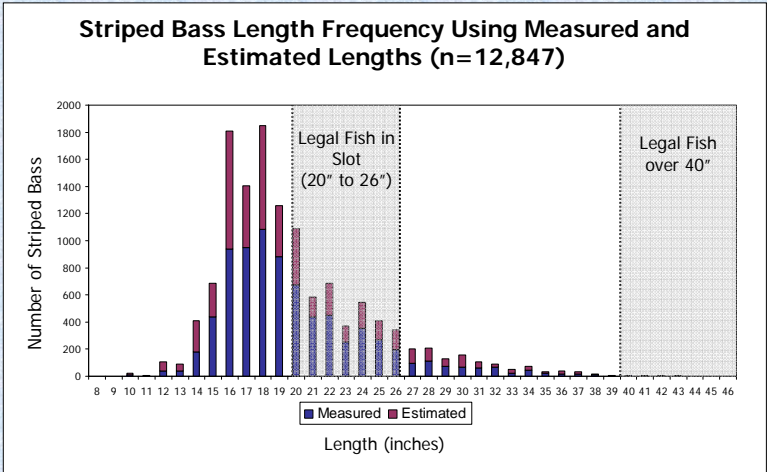


# VOLUNTEER ANGLER LOGBOOK SURVEY

Briefly, this program targets avid striped bass fishermen as a means of collecting additional length data. Though we have increased the sample size of the MRFSS, it still misses lengths and weights on sub-legal or released stripers because Maine's striped bass fishery has length and bag limits. Coupled with the fact many anglers opt for catch and release, field interviewers actually see limited numbers of fish. The Volunteer Angler Logbook (VAL) program is quite simple. An angler records information about fish harvested or released during each trip for him/herself and any fishing companions. Information about each trip is also recorded, including time spent fishing, area fished, number of anglers and target species.



\* Percents add up to a total greater than 100% because multiple hook types and terminal gear were used on many trips.